

recognized. We move to LB 730.

CLERK: LB 730, offered by Senator Hartnett. (Read title.) The bill was introduced on January 21st of last year, at that time referred to General Affairs for public hearing, advanced to General File. There are committee amendments pending.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: The Chair recognizes Senator Schellpeper to open on committee amendments.

SENATOR SCHELLPEPER: Thank you, Madam President and members. LB 730 would allow two games of chance, they're simple games. They sound probably worse than what they really are. One game is the rubber duck race game where you would put some rubber ducks in a pond. You sell numbers on the ducks, they float down a stream, you have numbers on them, the people buy the numbers, and then they win prizes. The other game that it would allow is called cow pie bingo, which some of you may not have heard of before, but it's a game that they have at these county fairs and some other functions where they put an animal in a pen, they're on numbers, you sell those numbers. Wherever the cow happens to have her droppings, or his droppings, that's the individual that wins the prize. I know it sounds kind of odd, but it seems to be very big at some of these county fairs and some of these small functions. The Revenue Department has ruled that these type games currently are not legal. And there are some groups that have been using these types of games for several years to raise funds for their groups. We are not expanding, except...gambling, except into those two types of actual games. So the Revenue Committee said we had to have a bill, so this amendment then...the committee amendment it struck the original language, and we put in the committee amendment. So the committee amendments then do two things. They allow rubber duck races, and also cow pie bingo at these functions as long as they are some way that they raise some money for these organiza...these different groups. So, I would move for the committee amendments. I'd be glad to answer any questions. I realize it might be something new for some of you, but it's been done in some of these areas for some time. Thank you.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Schellpeper. The Chair recognizes Senator Hartnett.

SENATOR HARTNETT: Madam Chairman, members of the body, the committee amendments become the bill, and I concur with what the